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OCCURRING AT ORANGEBURG.

What The Ledger's Correspondent Records From That Pleasant Vicinity.

Miss Ada Day is at Dr. Ford's last week. Trustees are canvassing now. Big office. H. P. Wilson is again a citizen of Orangeburg. The woods are ahead of the corn crop this year. Mrs. Dr. Gaines and Mamie are visiting relatives in Fleming county this week. Willie, son of Joseph Warder, struck Vamp McCarthy with a club just below the left eye, inflicting a severe wound. Dr. Gaines was summoned and dressed the wound and says Vamp will soon be out again.

RECORDED AT RECTORVILLE.

News Notes From That Picturesque Village Near the Lewis Line.

Ollie Rash was at home last Sabbath. Mrs. M. B. Hull is visiting relatives in Fleming county. Miss Nora Ellis and sister Josie are visiting friends in Lewis county. There is some talk of George Garrett opening a grocery at Bridgeport. Mrs. Josie B. Coleman of Georgetown is on a visit to relatives in this section. Forrest Lee and mother visited friends and relatives in Maysville last Sunday. Paul Geddes and family passed through our place Sunday evening en route home. He seems well pleased with his new location near Burtonville. A petition was sent Judge Hutchins last Saturday asking the removal of James A. Cooper as Overseer of the Mt. Olivet road, signed by sixteen of our best citizens. The majority of hands in said District will be perfectly satisfied with any man appointed in his stead. Anything for a change.

ABERDEEN AMENITIES.

Garnerings From the Green of All This Country Round About.

Lots of duck shooting on the river Tuesday. Colonel Gus Simmons is spending this week at home. Miss Maud Adair of Maysville was the guest of Miss Anna Hudson Sunday and Monday. We are glad to see Will Furner back among us, and glad, too, to know he has come to stay. Colonel James Newton arrived home last Saturday from an extended tour through the South. A. L. Hudson is having screens put up at his handsome 'Scream Parlors'. There's no flies on Hud. Jerry Breslin, the handsome young tailor of Carlisle, Ky., was calling on Miss Flora Riggs Sunday. Miss Schriber of Manchester, who has been visiting her uncle, Mr. John Schilt, returned home Saturday. County Commissioners Evans, Blane and Holman were in town Tuesday receiving bids for repairs on Fishcut Bridge. William Leggett, claiming Maysville as his home, was given two years in the penitentiary in the Lewis Circuit Court for breaking into the Depot at South Manchester.

Mr. Charles B. Morford has withdrawn from the Brookline Review, and the paper will be continued under the management and editorship of Mr. H. S. Young.

Mrs. Margaret McDowell, who fifty-five years ago joined Church under the preaching of Alexander Campbell, celebrated the eighty-third anniversary of her birth at her home in Robertson a few days since.

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STRANGE STORY!

around Hamilton without fear of danger while those he had helped to skin were meditating revenge.

One night Prickett was sitting asleep in a chair in a basement dogery in Hamilton. Right back and above his chair was a window, for the basement ceiling was about three feet above the level of the street. Prickett had been drinking freely, and he was in a drunken stupor. Several men, all more or less under the influence of liquor, entered the dogery and went up to its bar. Among them was a sturdy young blacksmith named John Griffen. This Griffen was a tough man when in drink, but when sober he was quiet and inoffensive. Some time before he had killed a man, but had escaped with light punishment on the ground that the killing was in self defense. Griffen had been told that Prickett had been talking about him, and he had been brought to the dogery "to give him a punching," as he thought. Those who brought him there were schemers of the deepest dye.

As the party entered they saw Prickett seated in a chair, with his slouch hat well pulled down over his eyes. One of the conspirators said to Griffen: "There he is, now; ask him to take a drink, and while he is taking it give it to him." Griffen obeyed, but received no response. "He thinks himself too good to talk to you," urged the conspirator. "Go over and smash him where he sits." Griffen did as he was told. Drawing back his powerful right arm he smashed the sitting figure full in the head. Prickett was knocked back out of his chair on the floor. He lay there motionless. Griffen became alarmed. "My God," he exclaimed, "I have killed him. I did not intend to do that!" Then the police came, and they found a pistol with one load fired, in Griffen's coat pocket. They also found a bullet hole in Prickett's head. Griffen was charged with murder.

Though Hamilton was a tough town, all its citizens were not tough. On the contrary, the great bulk of them were as respectable and as law abiding as any in the land. The better element was shocked at the murder and determined that it should not go unavenged. Griffen was indicted, tried and convicted. There was no positive evidence at all that he had shot Prickett. John Cockerill was satisfied that he was innocent of Prickett's murder, and he did all that he could to stem the tide against him, but in vain. Griffen swore most positively that he had no pistol on the night in question, and that consequently he could not have fired the fatal shot. Public opinion was against him, however. He had killed a man before. It was a case of a dog having a bad name. He was sentenced to death, and in due time the gallows was his end. Mr. Cockerill was true to Griffen to the last, and stood by his side when he was swung off into eternity. In addition to writing up the case for his own paper, he helped report it for The Cincinnati Enquirer. He was offered a place on its local staff a few weeks later. He accepted it and then and there began his brilliant daily newspaper career.

Though Cockerill believed Griffen innocent it was not for several years after that he knew that he was and learned the true story of how Prickett had been killed. Then he heard that several minutes before Griffen and his party had gone into the dogery it was tenanted solely by Prickett, who was asleep in the chair. His assassin had put a sawed off shotgun in the window and fired the fatal shot. He escaped in the darkness and the noise of the report created no excitement. When the conspirators found this out they took Griffen into the place and got him to strike the lifeless body as above detailed. In the excitement attendant on Griffen discovering that Prickett was dead some one had slipped a pistol into his pocket, where it was found when the police searched him.

But the strangest part of the strange story is yet to be told. Griffen, it appears, was cognizant of many secrets of the tough gang of Hamilton, especially of those relating to its whisky ring. He was not an overly bright fellow, and the conspirators, chief of whom was Tom McGeehan, found means of convincing him, while in jail, that his trial for the murder of Prickett was only a scheme of

the Federal Treasury officials to get him to split on his pals and give away their secrets. They told him that even the Governor of the state was in this plot, but that, knowing that he was innocent of the murder of Prickett, he would pardon him at the last minute. In this way they kept his courage up and his tongue still. Only the day before the execution he was visited by one of the conspirators, who said to him: "It's all right, John; your pardon has been made out and signed. It's dated tomorrow, but they are bound to scare your secrets out if possible. They will even put you on the trap, place the noose around your neck, and pull the black cap down over your face; but don't weaken. When they find that this don't phase you they will think you don't know anything, and will release you. It's all right, so help me God." Griffen, poor dupe, believed this story. He went to the scaffold as bold as a lion. He submitted without a murmur to the hangman's binding. He stood on the trap, the noose was placed about his neck, the black cap was pulled down and—he was hanged—with the secrets of the gang to be buried with him.

Tom McGeehan was a happy man when he heard that Griffen was dead and had carried his secrets to the grave. He went on a big spree, and was gone for several weeks, but there is retribution even in this world. Some time after he shot a man and was tried for his murder. His lawyer was Colonel Cockerill's old partner, Clement L. Vallandigham. Val. claimed that public opinion was so strongly against McGeehan in Hamilton that he could not have a fair trial there, and he obtained a change of venue to Lebanon in Warren county.

He framed a theory for the jury that Myer, the killed man, had accidentally shot himself while handling a pistol. He was explaining this theory to some friends in his room in his hotel the day before he intended to make his address to the jury. He took a pistol and pointed it at his stomach, and, thinking it unloaded, snapped its trigger.

The weapon was loaded, and its bullet found a resting place in his vitals. The wound was fatal in a few hours. This accident made such a profound impression on the jury that McGeehan escaped punishment then.

He escaped punishment then, but he met it later. The people of Hamilton served warning on him not to return to their town. He obeyed, and for a year or so he kept a cheap dogery in Morrow, a town about forty miles from Hamilton, on the Little Miami Railroad. Then, believing that it was safe for him to do so, he once more took up his abode in Hamilton. One night he met the fate of Prickett. He was shot and killed by an avenger, and the charge which killed him came from the same kind of a weapon as finished Prickett, a shotgun with its barrels sawed off so that it could be concealed beneath an ordinary coat. After it had killed McGeehan the gun was thrown into the basin of the Miami Canal. No great effort was made to find out who was the avenger.

As Colonel Cockerill said to me only a couple of years ago, "McGeehan wasn't the kind of man a first-class community would mourn after very long."

A strange story, is it not?

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